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**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE MIDDLE DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA**

VICTOR R. COTTON,

Plaintiff

v.

THREE RIVERS HEALTH PLANS, INC.,
a Corporation, and WARREN
CARMICHAEL,

Defendants

Civil Action No. 1:CV-00-1709

Judge Kane

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PLAINTIFF'S OBJECTIONS TO DEFENDANT'S PROPOSED POINTS FOR CHARGE

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PROPOSED LIMITING INSTRUCTIONS

Plaintiff objects to Defendant's Proposed Limiting Instructions. Defendant's Proposed Limiting Instructions are improper in that they include an advocate's statement of facts. The jury's function as a fact finder is to assess the credibility of witnesses and determine which or all of the testimony, documents and other information to consider. Defendant's suggested instructions usurp that function by including facts which the Defendant wants the jury to accept.

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Respectfully submitted,

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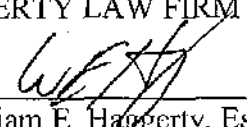
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